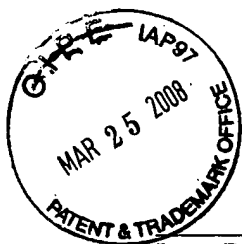


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DISPLAY

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LETTER EXPLAINING IDS REFERENCE

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Sir:

Applicant(s) filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) on November 26, 2007, in which Japanese Patent Application JP 05-090897-A, published 04/04/1993 to SONY CORP, was cited in error. Although that reference, directed to an oversampling filter circuit, was cited on the Japanese Search Report dated May 11, 2007, Applicant(s) submit that the Search Report should instead have cited similarly numbered Japanese Utility Model Application JP 05-090897-U, published 12/10/2003 to ENPLUS. This reference, directed to a device for lighting a backlight such as in an LCD display, was previously disclosed in the IDS filed February 3, 2005.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, DC area.

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